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A NEW LIFE

HIS NAME WAS ADAM TUCKER... THIS ESSAY WAS WRITTEN IN 1858... IT'S REALLY GOOD!

WHAT DOES A MERE *WOMAN* KNOW ABOUT GOOD WRITING?

I WONDER IF THERE ARE OTHER MANUSCRIPTS ANYWHERE?

THERE'S ONE THING OBVIOUS... MR. TUCKER DIDN'T THINK ANY WOMAN WAS VERY CAPABLE!

WHY DON'T YOU LOOK IN THE TRUNK IN THE ATTIC?

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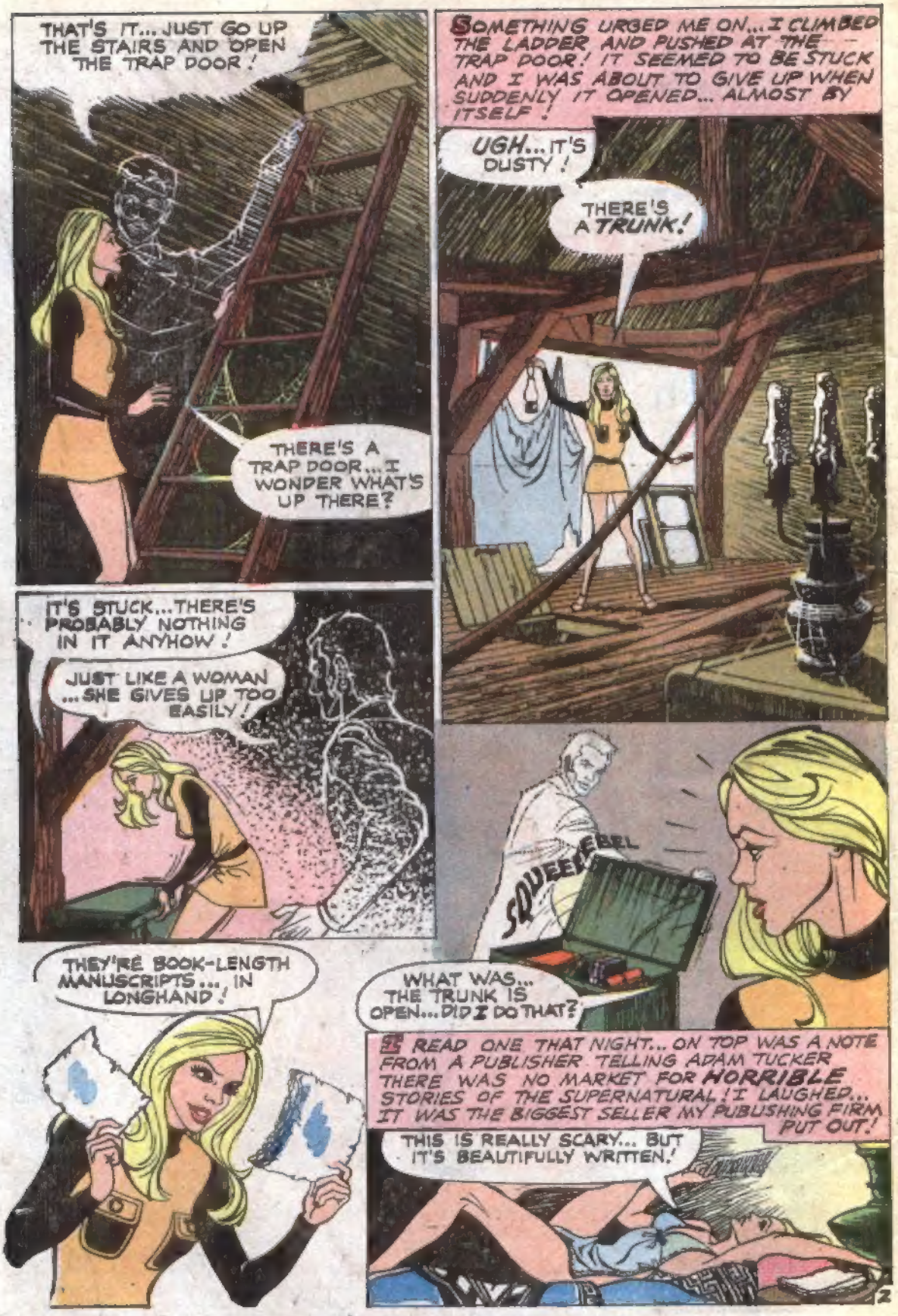
THAT'S IT... JUST GO UP THE STAIRS AND OPEN THE TRAP DOOR!
THERE'S A TRAP DOOR... I WONDER WHAT'S UP THERE?
SOMETHING URGED ME ON... I CLIMBED THE LADDER AND PUSHED AT THE TRAP DOOR! IT SEEMED TO BE STUCK AND I WAS ABOUT TO GIVE UP WHEN SUDDENLY IT OPENED... ALMOST BY ITSELF!
UGH... IT'S DUSTY!
THERE'S A TRUNK!
IT'S STUCK... THERE'S PROBABLY NOTHING IN IT ANYHOW!
JUST LIKE A WOMAN ... SHE GIVES UP TOO EASILY!
SQUEEEEBEL
WHAT WAS... THE TRUNK IS OPEN... DID I DO THAT?
THEY'RE BOOK-LENGTH MANUSCRIPTS ... IN LONGHAND!
I READ ONE THAT NIGHT... ON TOP WAS A NOTE FROM A PUBLISHER TELLING ADAM TUCKER THERE WAS NO MARKET FOR HORRIBLE STORIES OF THE SUPERNATURAL! I LAUGHED... IT WAS THE BIGGEST SELLER MY PUBUSHING FIRM PUT OUT!
THIS IS REALLY SCARY... BUT IT'S BEAUTIFULLY WRITTEN!
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ONE THING IS OBVIOUS... MR. TUCKER ACTUALLY BELIEVED IN GHOSTS!
WHAT DOES SHE THINK I AM, LIVERWURST?
I WAS DELIGHTED WITH THE NOVEL... IT WAS ABOUT THE SUPERNATURAL BUT WITH A VERY TENDER LOVE STORY WOVEN THROUGH IT. I BROUGHT IT TO A PROFESSIONAL TYPIST AND A WEEK LATER SUBMITTED IT TO THE BOOK EDITOR, MR. YELLEN.
THE WRITING IS SORT OF OLD-FASHIONED BUT IT'S BEAUTIFULLY WRITTEN! I'LL READ IT AND LET YOU KNOW, ELAINE.
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BY THE WAY, WHO IS ADAM TUCKER?
OH, HE... HE'S JUST A FRIEND OF MINE.
FOUR DAYS LATER, ON A FRIDAY, MR. YELLEN SENT FOR ME...
I'M GOING TO PUBLISH IT, ELAINE! I WANT TUCKER TO START WORK ON ANOTHER NOVEL IMMEDIATELY.
HE ALREADY WROTE ANOTHER... IT'S EVEN BETTER THAN THIS ONE!
ALSO, TELL TUCKER I WANT HIM IN THIS OFFICE MONDAY! HE HAS TO SIGN A CONTRACT... AND I'LL GIVE HIM A CHECK FOR $10,000, AN ADVANCE ON ROYALTIES!
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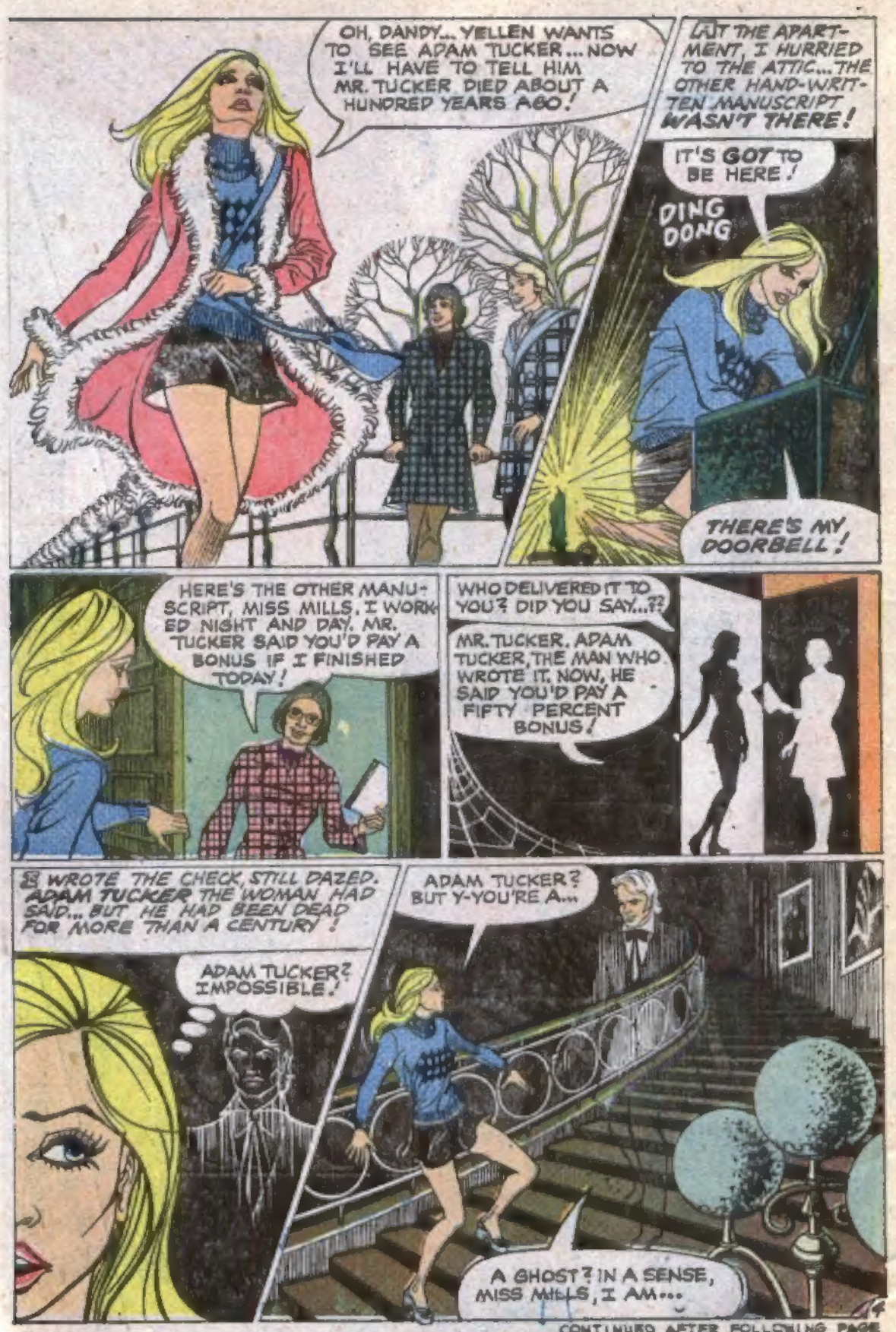
OH, DANDY... YELLEN WANTS TO SEE ADAM TUCKER... NOW I'LL HAVE TO TELL HIM MR. TUCKER DIED ABOUT A HUNDRED YEARS AGO!
LAT THE APARTMENT, I HURRIED TO THE ATTIC... THE OTHER HAND-WRITTEN MANUSCRIPT WASN'T THERE!
IT'S GOT TO BE HERE!
DING DONG
THERE'S MY DOORBELL!
HERE'S THE OTHER MANUSCRIPT, MISS MILLS. I WORKED NIGHT AND DAY. MR. TUCKER SAID YOU'D PAY A BONUS IF I FINISHED TODAY!
WHO DELIVERED IT TO YOU? DID YOU SAY...??
MR. TUCKER. ADAM TUCKER, THE MAN WHO WROTE IT. NOW, HE SAID YOU'D PAY A FIFTY PERCENT BONUS!
I WROTE THE CHECK, STILL DAZED. ADAM TUCKER THE WOMAN HAD SAID... BUT HE HAD BEEN DEAD FOR MORE THAN A CENTURY!
ADAM TUCKER? IMPOSSIBLE!
ADAM TUCKER? BUT Y-YOU'RE A...
A GHOST? IN A SENSE, MISS MILLS, I AM...

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And I thought this weekend was going to be a bummer!

Wouldn't you know! Great skiing and I get my period. Napkins are so uncomfortable, and I can't use tampons, Pat, I've tried.
Tish, you need more than a slalom lesson. When we go back, I've got something for you.

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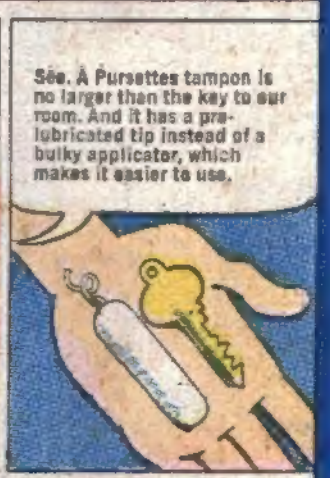
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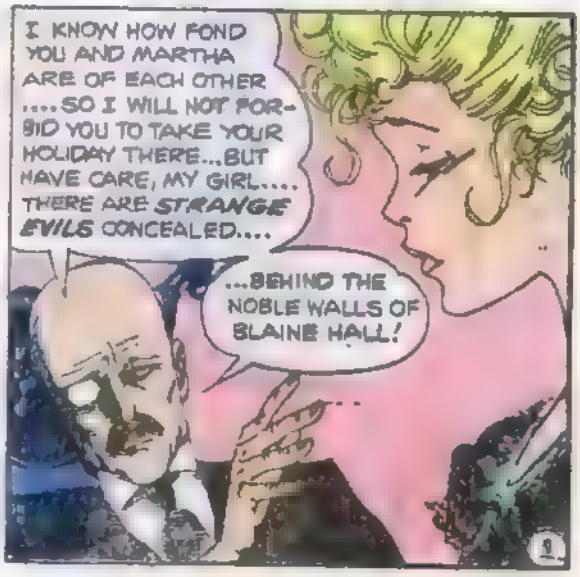
I'VE ALWAYS BEEN ADAM TUCKER, MISS MILLS. ITS JUST THAT I WAS A LITTLE INACTIVE THE LAST CENTURY OR SO.
I READ THE REJECTION SLIPS YOU GOT, MR. TUCKER. PERHAPS THEY DIDN'T DIG YOUR BOOKS BACK WHEN YOU WROTE THEM BUT ITS WHAT PEOPLE ARE READING TODAY! MY EDITOR LOVES THEM!
A HUNDRED YEARS AGO, THOSE WORDS WOULD'VE MADE ME ECSTATIC...
...AND THEY STILL DO!
I STILL DON'T BELIEVE YOU'RE REALLY ADAM TUCKER. YOU JUST SHOWED UP TODAY!
OH, NO... I'VE BEEN IN THE ATTIC OF THIS APARTMENT EVER SINCE I DIED IN 1859... OF MALNUTRITION AND PNEUMONIA. I'VE BEEN HERE SINCE YOU MOVED IN. I CAN TELL YOU...
NEVER MIND, MR. TUCKER!
WELL, IF YOU INSIST ON BEING ADAM TUCKER, YOU'D BETTER GET A NEW WARDROBE. YOUR CLOTHES ARE...
I LIKE THIS SUIT, MISS MILLS. I'VE SEEN THE LATEST STYLES ON THAT MYSTERIOUS MACHINE YOU CALL T.V. ... THE MEN LOOK RIDICULOUS.
HOWEVER... LADIES' STYLES ARE VERY, VERY ATTRACTIVE!

I'D NEVER BELIEVED IN GHOSTS... BUT HERE WAS A MAN WHO CLAIMED TO BE THE LONG-DEAD ADAM TUCKER... AND, STRANGELY, I BELIEVED HIM. BUT HE WAS NO LONGER A GHOST SO...
SINCE YOU REJOINED THE LIVING, MR. TUCKER, I MUST REMIND YOU THAT THIS IS MY APARTMENT... AND I CANNOT SHARE IT WITH A GENTLEMAN! PLEASE LEAVE... COME BACK TOMORROW EVENING.
WELL, IF I MUST LEAVE...
...I SHALL! GOOD NIGHT, ELAINE!
WHERE... IT'S A TRICK OF SOME KIND!
MR. YELLEN LIKED THE BOOK? DO YOU THINK IT WILL SELL?
ADAM, I TOLD YOU TO LEAVE! WHERE DID YOU GO?
THE ATTIC OF COURSE... I'VE GOTTEN USED TO IT!
ARE YOU SURE THATS WHERE YOU WERE... ALL THE TIME?
THIS TIME HE REALLY WENT INTO THE ATTIC... I WATCHED HIM CLIMB THE STAIRS!

GOOD-NIGHT, MY BELOVED!
I DIDN'T SEE ADAM AGAIN... AND I BEGAN WORRYING! THEN, MONDAY, MR. YELLEN SUMMONED ME TO HIS OFFICE...
ADAM! WHERE DID YOU GO?
I BOUGHT SOME THREADS AND I JUST SIGNED A CONTRACT WITH LUTHER HERE.
ADAM AND I ARE ON A FIRST NAME BASIS, ELAINE. HE'S GOING TO CONTINUE WRITING IN THAT CHARMING STYLE OF HIS!
THERE'S JUST ONE DRAWBACK, DEAR ELAINE. I CAN ONLY WRITE IN MY OWN ATTIC... AND YOU'VE GOT A TWO YEAR LEASE ON IT!
B-BUT I... DO YOU HAVE ANY IDEAS ON IT?
WE'LL BOTH LIVE THERE... AS MAN AND WIFE, OF COURSE!
DARLING, WHAT A LOVELY IDEA...
'74
END

BEWARE DO NOT LOVE HIM!
SHE HAD BEEN WARNED .... TREVOR BLAINE WAS HOPELESSLY INSANE, A DANGEROUS LUNATIC . . YET HERE SHE WAS, IN HIS ARMS...: RETURNING HIS KISSES.. KNOWING THAT THERE COULD BE NO FUTURE IN IT FOR EITHER OF THEM.
I CAN'T BELIEVE HE'S INSANE....I DON'T CARE WHAT THEY SAY...I LOVE HIM!

IT BEGAN FOR HELEN PINCHLEY WITH AN INVITATION FROM A GIRL WITH WHOM SHE HAD GONE TO SCHOOL...
FATHER, MARTHA BLAINE HAS INVITED ME TO SPEND JULY AT THEIR COUNTRY HOME IN KENT. MAY I ACCEPT ?


I KNOW HOW FOND YOU AND MARTHA ARE OF EACH OTHER ....SO I WILL NOT FORBID YOU TO TAKE YOUR HOLIDAY THERE...BUT HAVE CARE, MY GIRL.... THERE ARE STRANGE EVILS CONCEALED....
...BEHIND THE NOBLE WALLS OF BLAINE HALL!

THE YOUNG LADY TRAVELED BY PUBLIC COACH FROM LONDON DOWN TO KENT....
MARTHA'S FAMILY IS LARGE.... SHE HAS BROTHERS AND COUSINS.... PERHAPS I SHALL MEET SOMEONE SUITABLE.... WHO KNOWS?
MARTHA WAS WAITING WHEN HELEN ARRIVED AT BLAINE HALL... AS WAS HER MOTHER AND HANDSOME BROTHER CHARLES!
HOW DO YOU DO, CHARLES...
I AM MOST CHARMED TO MEET YOU, HELEN.
HELEN, YOUR BEDROOM IS IN THE EAST WING NEXT TO MARTHA'S.
UNMARRIED.... NO FEMININE FRIENDS UP UNTIL NOW BUT, HELEN....
WHEN HE KISSED MY HAND .... I SHIVERED SO DELICIOUSLY.
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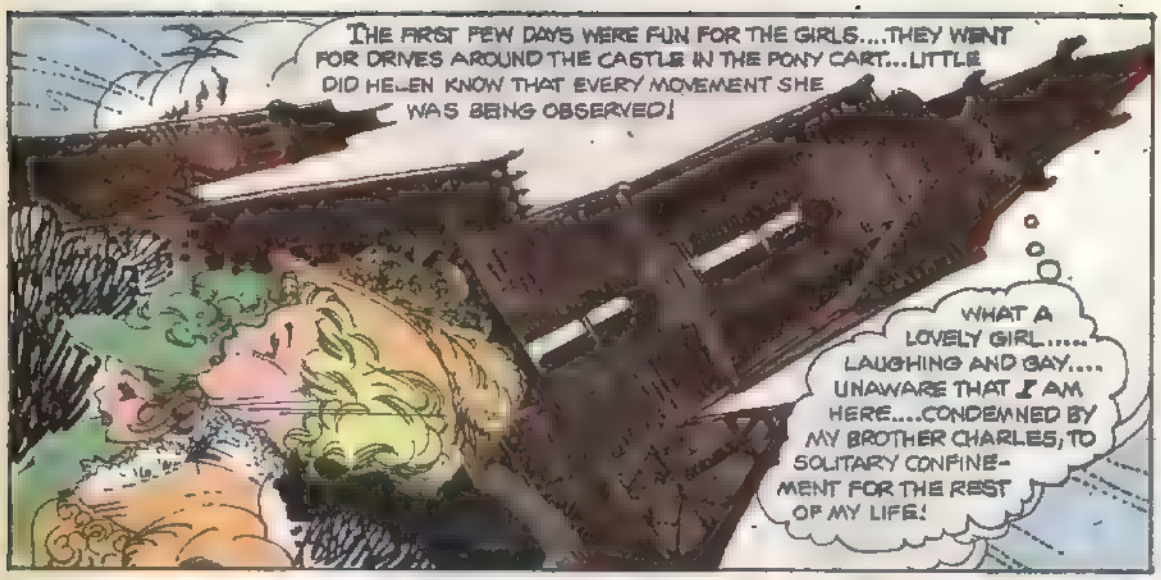
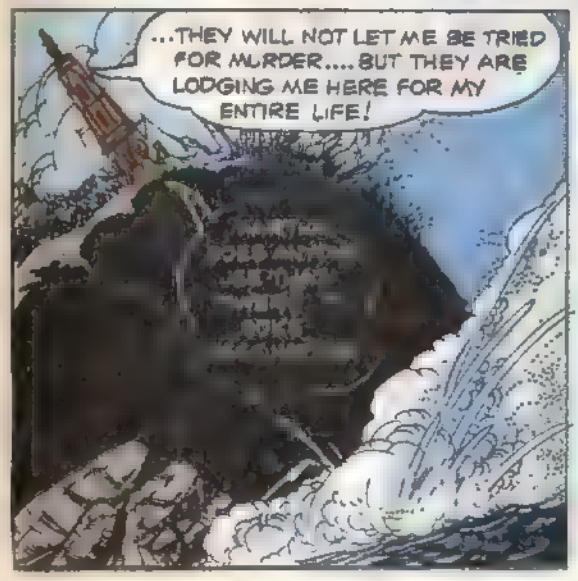
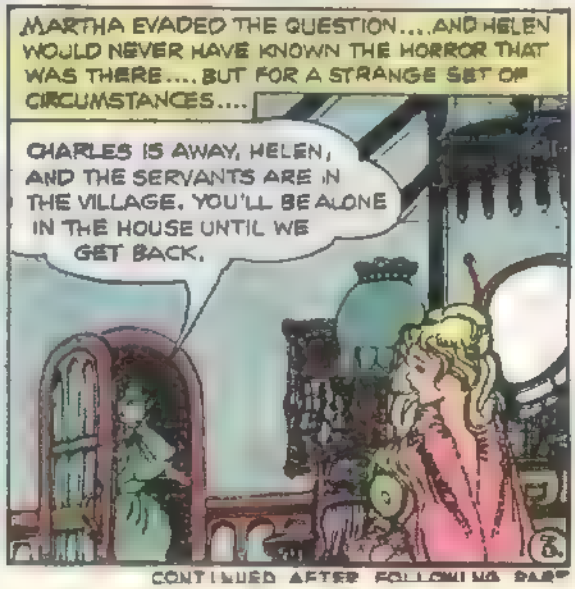

THE FIRST FEW DAYS WERE FUN FOR THE GIRLS....THEY WENT FOR DRIVES AROUND THE CASTLE IN THE PONY CART...LITTLE DID HELEN KNOW THAT EVERY MOVEMENT SHE WAS BEING OBSERVED!
WHAT A LOVELY GIRL..... LAUGHING AND GAY.... UNAWARE THAT I AM HERE....CONDEMNED BY MY BROTHER CHARLES, TO SOLITARY CONFINEMENT FOR THE REST OF MY LIFE!




MARTHA EVADED THE QUESTION....AND HELEN WOULD NEVER HAVE KNOWN THE HORROR THAT WAS THERE.... BUT FOR A STRANGE SET OF CIRCUMSTANCES....
CHARLES IS AWAY, HELEN, AND THE SERVANTS ARE IN THE VILLAGE. YOU'LL BE ALONE IN THE HOUSE UNTIL WE GET BACK.

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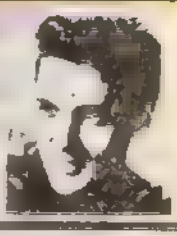

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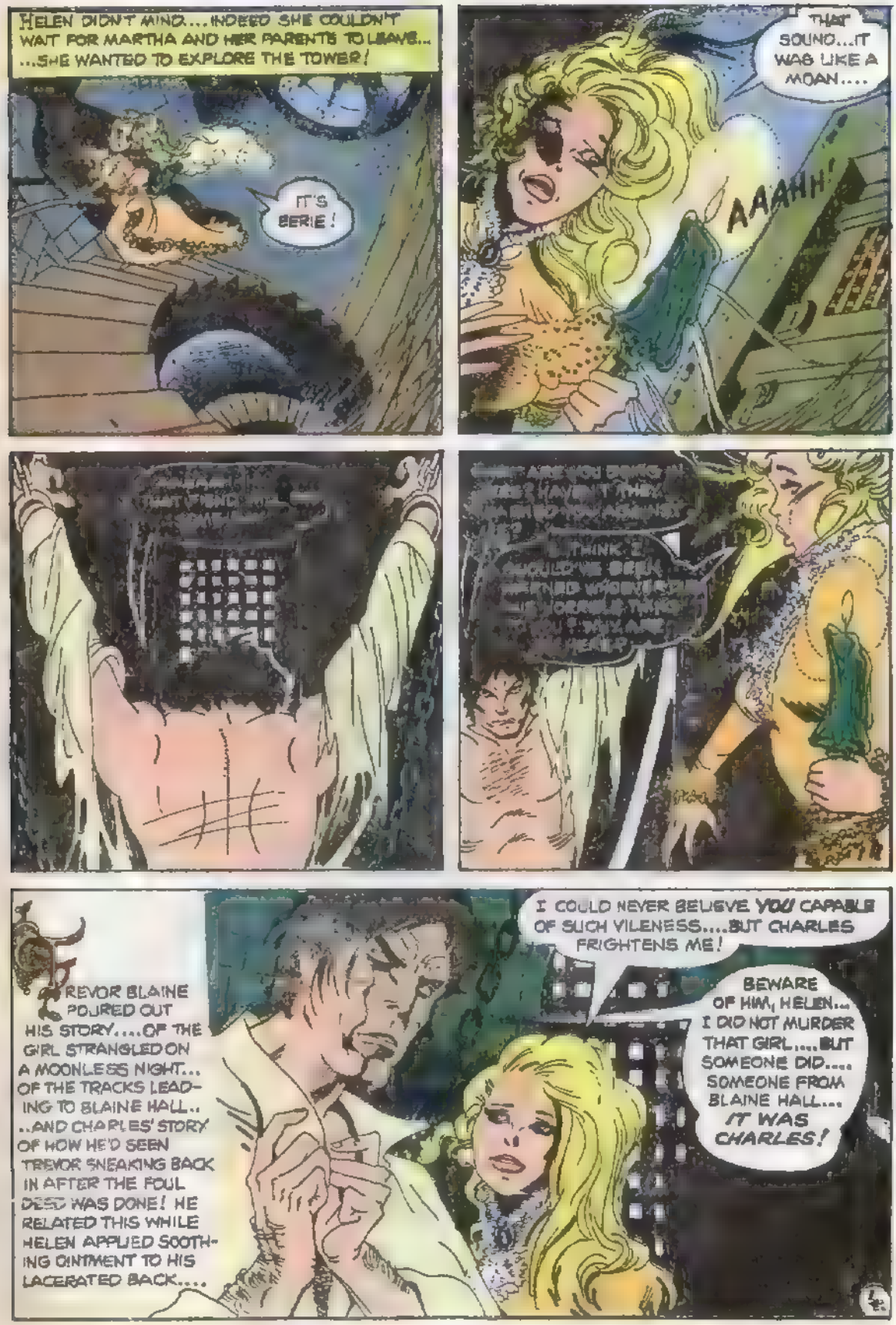
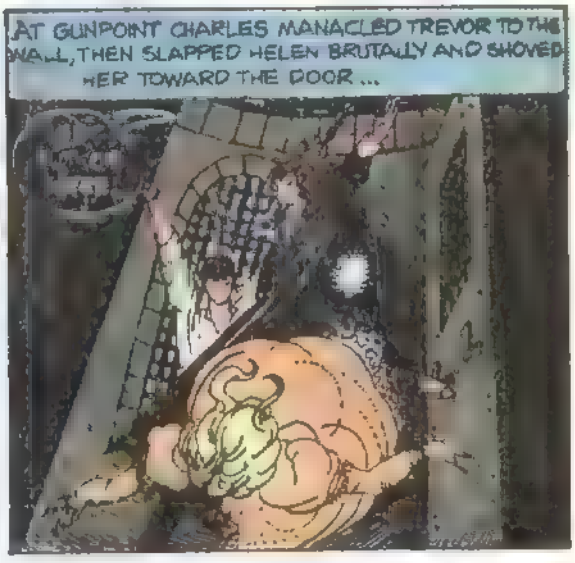
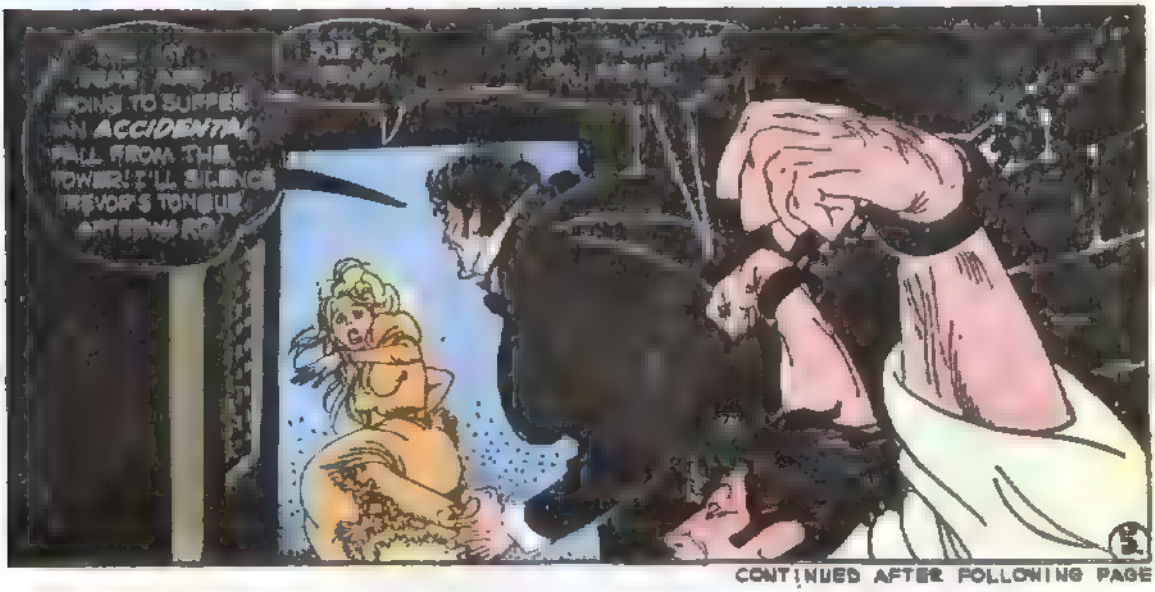

HELEN DIDN'T MIND... INDEED SHE COULDN'T WAIT FOR MARTHA AND HER PARENTS TO LEAVE... ...SHE WANTED TO EXPLORE THE TOWER!
IT'S EERIE!
THAT SOUND...IT WAS LIKE A MOAN....
AAAHH!
I THINK I
TREVOR BLAINE POURED OUT HIS STORY....OF THE GIRL STRANGLED ON A MOONLESS NIGHT... OF THE TRACKS LEADING TO BLAINE HALL.. ...AND CHARLES' STORY OF HOW HE'D SEEN TREVOR SNEAKING BACK IN AFTER THE FOUL DEED WAS DONE! HE RELATED THIS WHILE HELEN APPLIED SOOTHING OINTMENT TO HIS LACERATED BACK....
I COULD NEVER BELIEVE YOU CAPABLE OF SUCH VILENESS....BUT CHARLES FRIGHTENS ME!
BEWARE OF HIM, HELEN... I DID NOT MURDER THAT GIRL....BUT SOMEONE DID.... SOMEONE FROM BLAINE HALL... IT WAS CHARLES!





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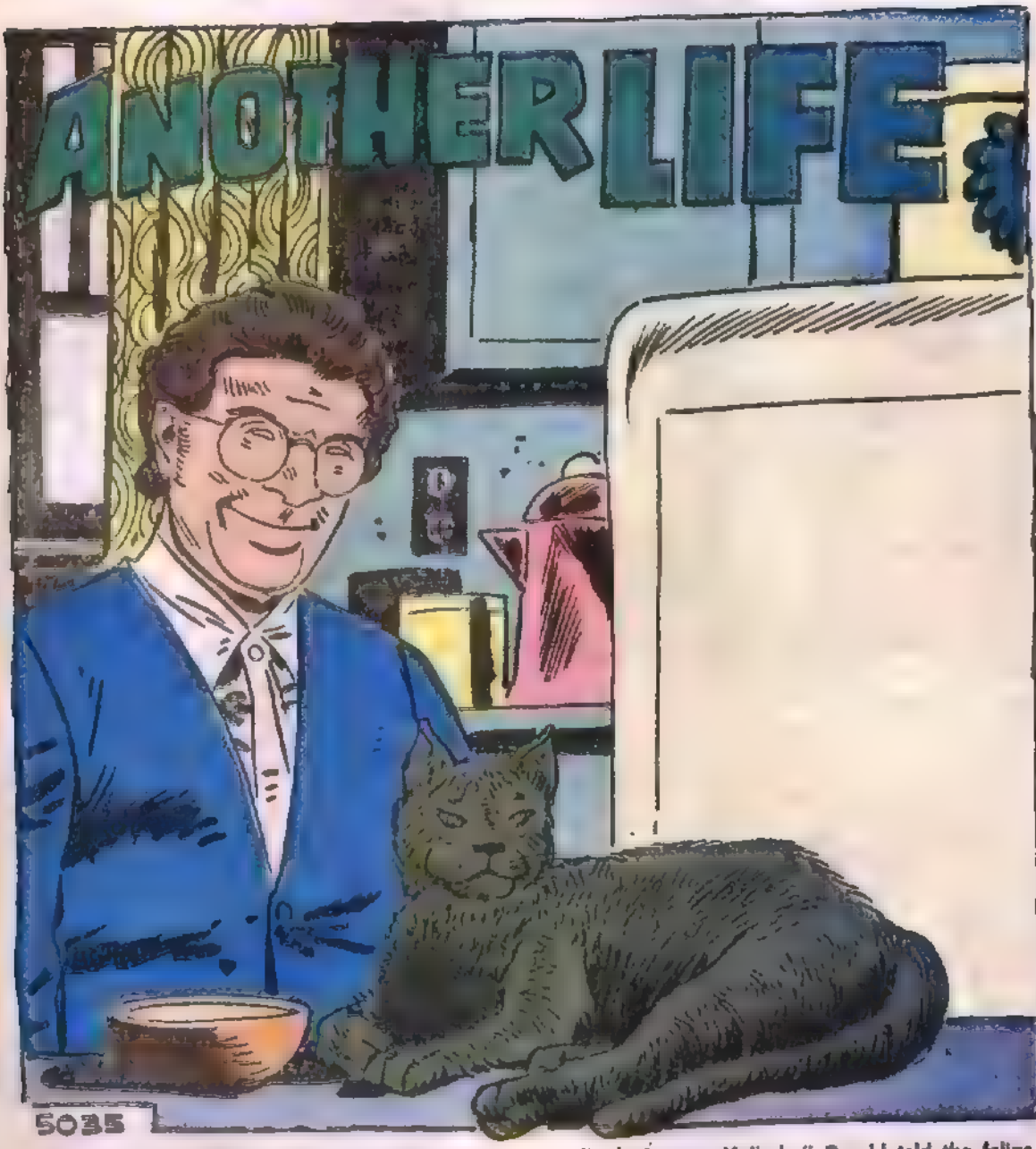
PLEASE, CHARLES.. YOU MUSTN'T ADD TO YOUR CRIMES ..YOU HAVE TIME...RUN AWAY...HIDE!
HAHAHAHA! I WON'T HAVE TO...NO ONE WILL KNOW WHAT I'VE DONE!
IT WILL SOON BE OVER, HELEN!
LET HER GO, CHARLES...
YOU IDIOT!... I'LL KILL YOU HERE AND NOW!
WHAT HAPPENED, TREVOR?
YEEAAHH!
CHARLES OFTEN WENT INTO A FIT LIKE THAT....ESPECIALLY WHEN HE DID SOMETHING VIOLENT OR CRUEL.....THE NIGHT HE STRANGLED THE GIRL I FOUND HIM FROTHING ON THE FLOOR OF HIS ROOM!
HELEN TOLD THE REST OF THE FAMILY....AND THE LOCAL POLICE WERE NOTIFIED! AFTER THAT, TREVOR AND HELEN WERE FREE TO FALL IN LOVE....AND MARRY!



Without Melinda, Gerald Talbot would have been really alone in the world. The twenty-six year old assistant bookkeeper had a television set that seldom interested him, the newspaper, and a book now and then to occupy him.

But Melinda was probably the most important thing in his life and that was sad indeed.

Because Melinda was a cat — an alley cat. She was a lovely ginger color with white paws and gold-green eyes and a way of staring at Gerald that aroused a strange feeling in his heart.

Gerald was a little uneasy about this feeling because, while the lonely bachelor was no smashing social success, neither was he entirely bananas and he knew it wasn't exactly kosher for a guy's love in life to be a stupid cat that just looked at him and didn't even bother to purr.

"I don't care, Melinda," Gerald told the feline, "you're the only friend I've got."

The cat got up, stretched, then leaped lightly to the floor, lapped her milk, and returned to her favorite chair. Another odd thing about Melinda: she had three favorite television programs. One was about a witch who wrinkled her nose and did zany things; Another was a re-run series that featured weird and supernatural stories, the third a romantic comedy. Melinda would lie with her head on her paws watching, only the tip of her tail twitching now and then to indicate her interest.

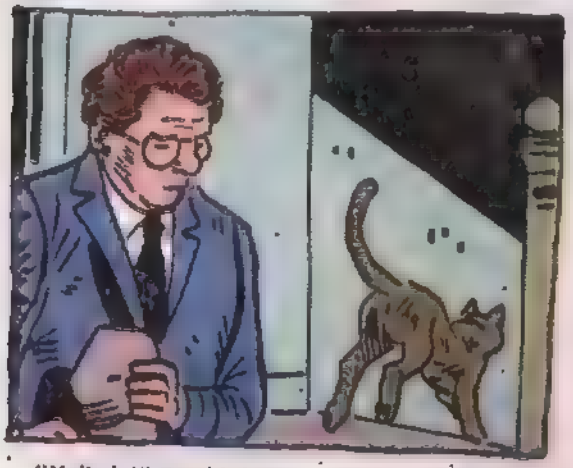
So, Gerald Talbot went on, unhappy but bearing up. He wanted a girl. To be specific, he wanted to fall in love with a lovely girl who'd love him, get married, and live happily ever after. But that didn't seem possible. He couldn't even date an ugly girl and if he did,.

he wouldn't be able to take her anywhere on his miserable salary, much less support a wife.

He thought things couldn't get worse.

But he was wrong.

They got worse. He came home one night, opening the door, cautiously, the little package of liver for Melinda in the brown paper bag. With a snarl, Melinda shot past him and disappeared down the stairs.



"Melinda!" Gerald shouted. He dropped Melinda's liver and his own container of milk and dashed down the stairs in futile pursuit. He heard the tenement door open and shouted "Watch it! Don't let the cat get out!"

When he reached the vestibule, Melinda was gone. The girl who had opened the door stood there looking at him as though he were some kind of moron.

"Didn't you hear me, you idiot? I said not to let the cat out."

She had shining, coppery hair and green eyes. These eyes surveyed him coolly now, from head to toe. Gerald realized he had snarled at her, called her an idiot, and she was the most beautiful girl in the world.

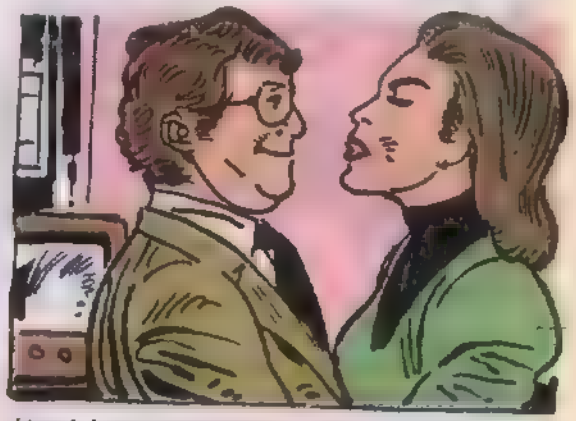
"I ... I'm sorry, miss," Gerald mumbled. "I really loved that cat."

She smiled a little at that.

"You loved a cat? Surely, a handsome young man like you can do better than that!"

Gerald thought she was putting him on. She invited him to her apartment for coffee, told him she had just moved in, and they became friends. Her name, she said, was Tabetha Simms.

The second time he met her, he kissed her. Timid Gerald Talbot took her masterfully in his arms and



kissed her good and hard. The fourth time, he proposed and she accepted.

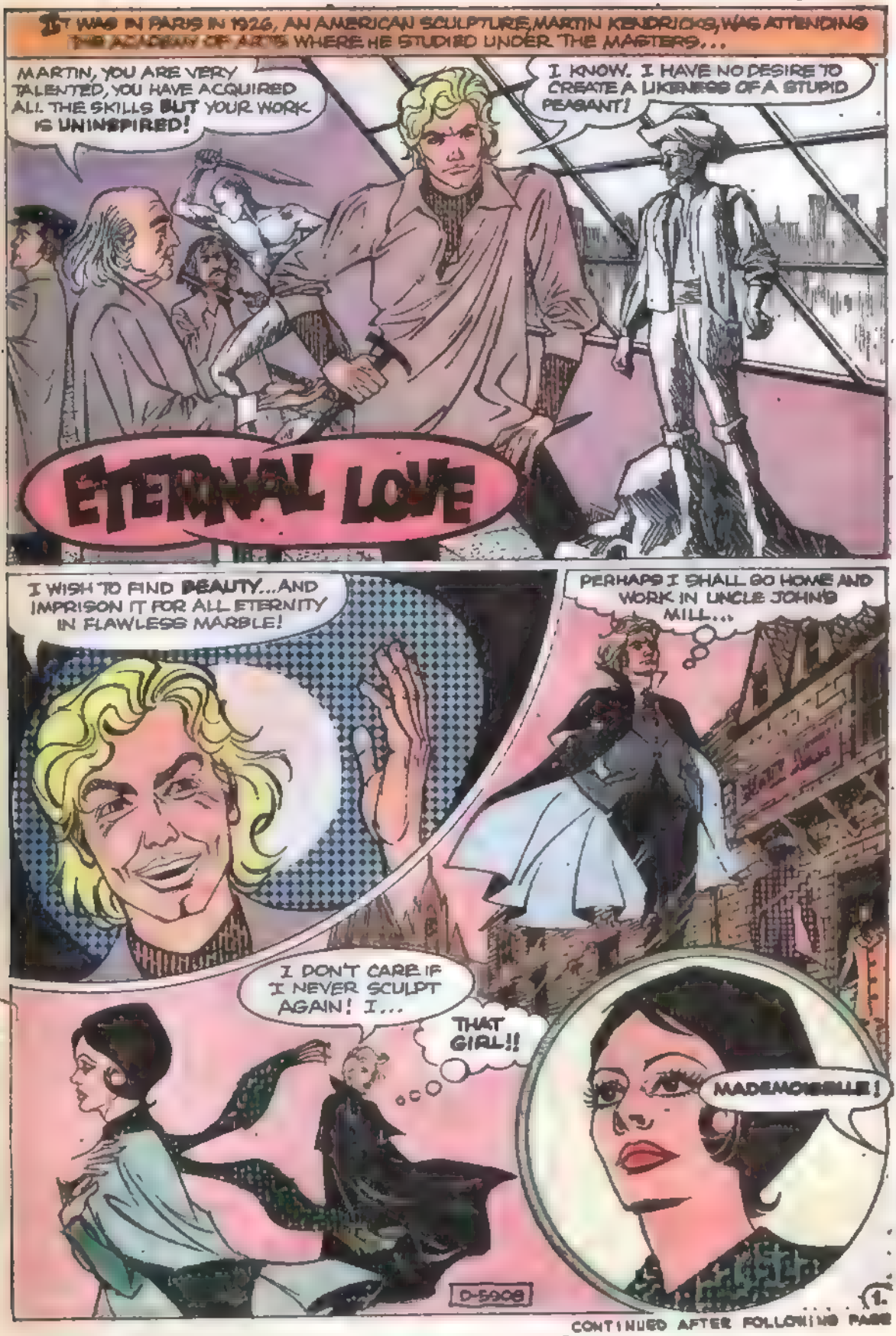
Gerald was really changing. At the office, he boldly told the office manager their bookkeeping system was inadequate, made suggestions to cut costs and increase efficiency, and got a promotion with a fat raise.

They were married. After a week of ecstasy on a honeymoon in the Caribbean, they returned to Gerald's apartment. His sleek bride was a constant source of joy to him but there were a few things that puzzled Gerald. Tabetha, or Tabby as she'd always been called, sat in the same chair Melinda had always preferred. She liked liver. And she had three favorite television programs. That's right. Those same three.

Gerald had his suspicions but he didn't care. He was happier than he'd ever dreamed possible. His wife was perfect in every way. She liked their life too except for one thing.

"Darling," she murmured in his ear, one quiet evening just before retiring, "I get so tired of being called Tabby. Would you mind very much calling me Melinda?"

Somehow, Gerald wasn't very surprised.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PERHAPS I SHALL GO HOME AND WORK IN UNCLE JOHN'S MILL...
I DON'T CARE IF I NEVER SCULPT AGAIN! I...
THAT GIRL!!
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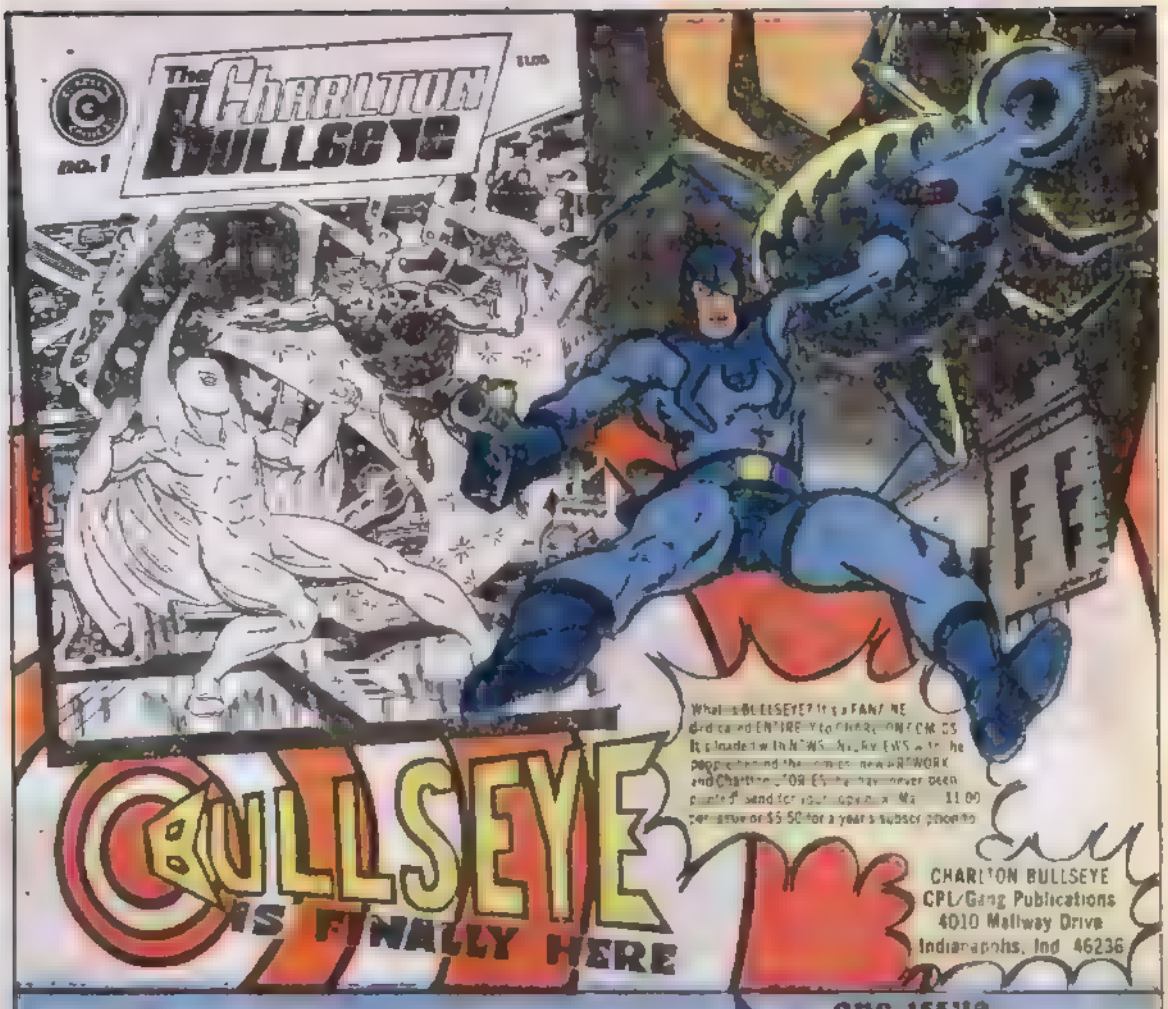

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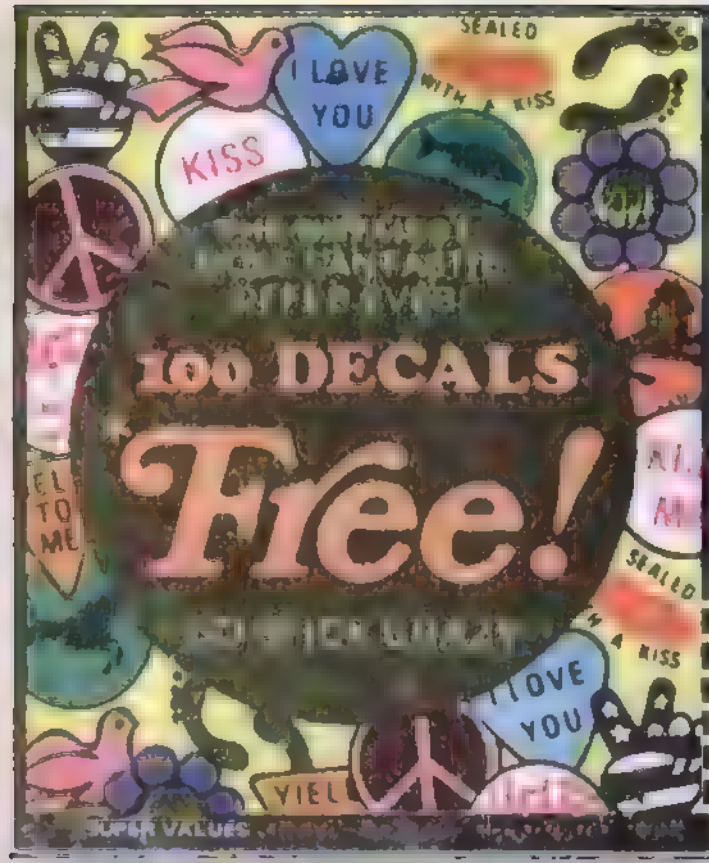

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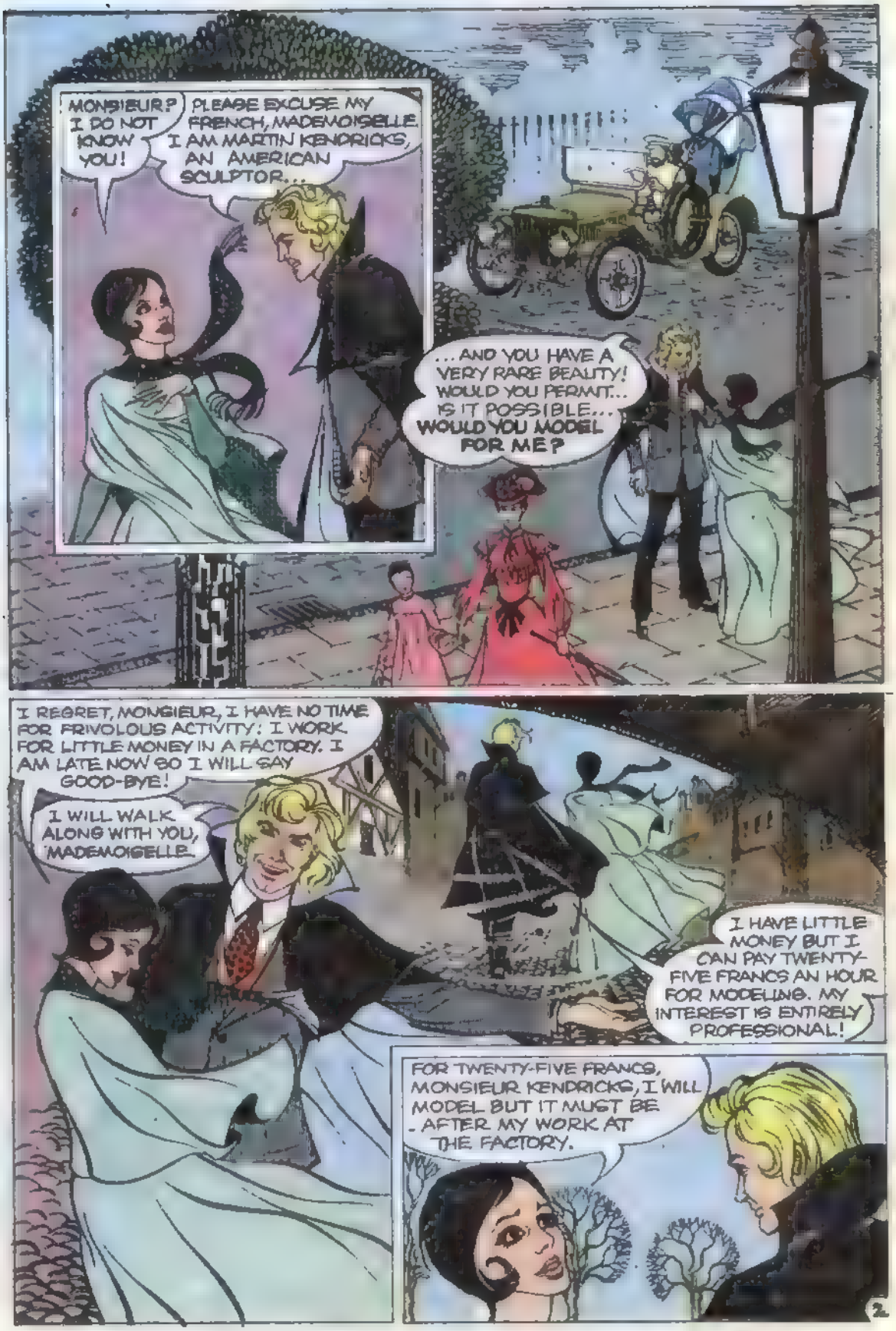
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PLEASE EXCUSE MY FRENCH, MADEMOISELLE. I AM MARTIN KENDRICKS, AN AMERICAN SCULPTOR...
...AND YOU HAVE A VERY RARE BEAUTY! WOULD YOU PERMIT... IS IT POSSIBLE... WOULD YOU MODEL FOR ME?
I REGRET, MONSIEUR, I HAVE NO TIME FOR FRIVOLOUS ACTIVITY: I WORK FOR LITTLE MONEY IN A FACTORY. I AM LATE NOW SO I WILL SAY GOOD-BYE!
I WILL WALK ALONG WITH YOU, MADEMOISELLE.
I HAVE LITTLE MONEY BUT I CAN PAY TWENTY-FIVE FRANCS AN HOUR FOR MODELING. MY INTEREST IS ENTIRELY PROFESSIONAL!
FOR TWENTY-FIVE FRANCS, MONSIEUR KENDRICKS, I WILL MODEL BUT IT MUST BE AFTER MY WORK AT THE FACTORY.
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YVETTE LAVAUX CAME TO MODEL FOR THE SCULPTOR AT HIS STUDIO THE FOLLOWING NIGHT...
I ENVISION A CLASSICAL FIGURE, YVETTE...I REALIZE YOUR COSTUME IS SCANTY BUT...
I AM NOT A PRUDE, MONSIEUR...I REALIZE THAT ARTISTS AND SCULPTORS HAVE DIFFERENT STANDARDS THAN OTHERS.
MUST YOU COUGH, YVETTE? IT DISTRACTS ME!
I.. I HAVE A CHILL, MON AMI!
THE SCULPTOR REALIZED HOW THOUGHTLESS HE'D BEEN...HE ADDED COAL TO THE STOVE AND GAVE HER HIS OWN HEAVY ROBE TO WEAR..
ARE YOU WARMER, YVETTE?
YES, MARTIN..YOU ARE VERY KIND.
HOW CAN YOU WORK FROM MEMORY, MARTIN ...WOULD IT NOT BE BETTER IF I...??
YOUR LOVELINESS IS ALREADY BURNED INTO MY BRAIN, YVETTE...
I AM WASTING YOUR TIME...I AM READY TO MODEL NOW.
NO, YVETTE, YOU SIT...I CAN WORK FROM MEMORY.
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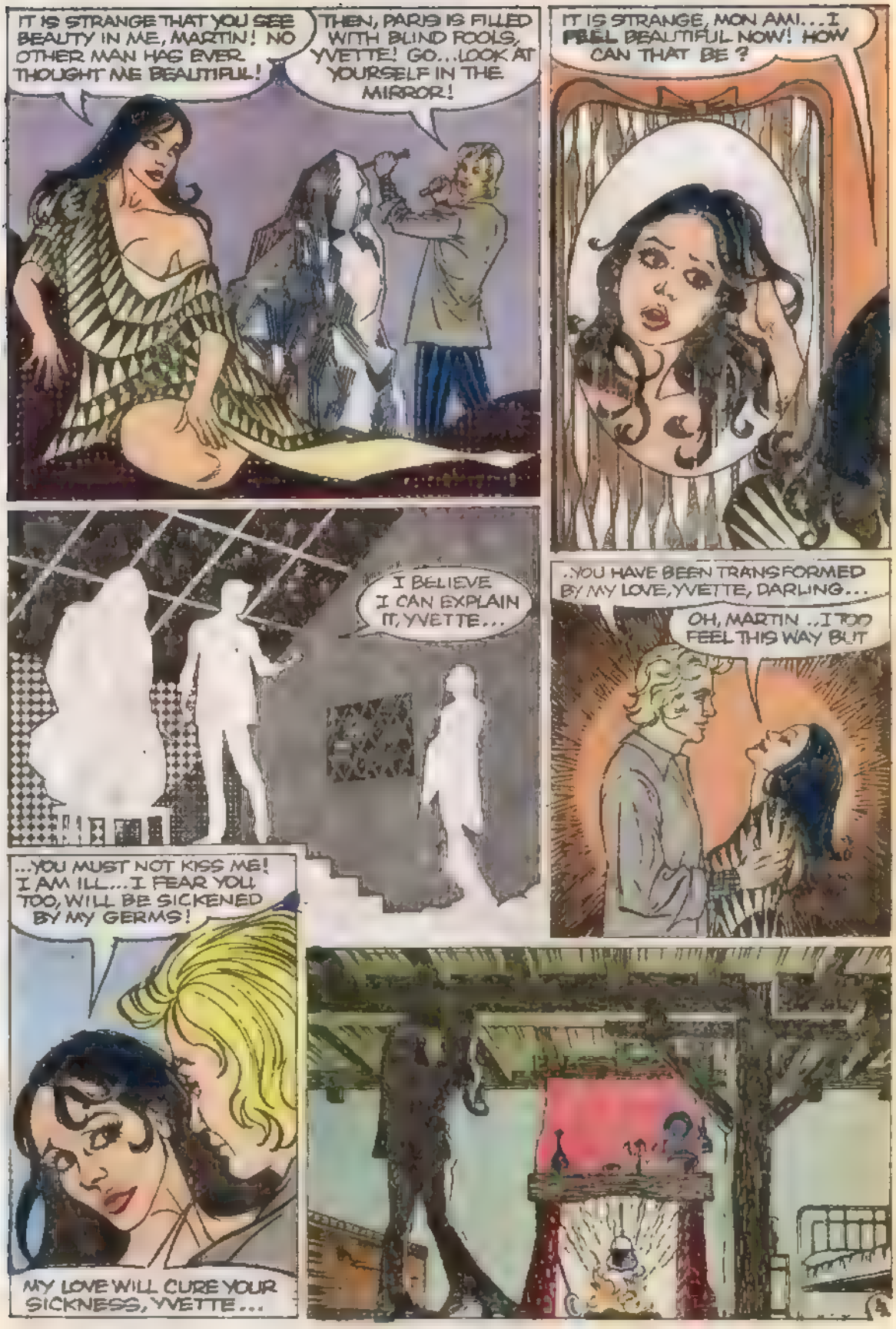
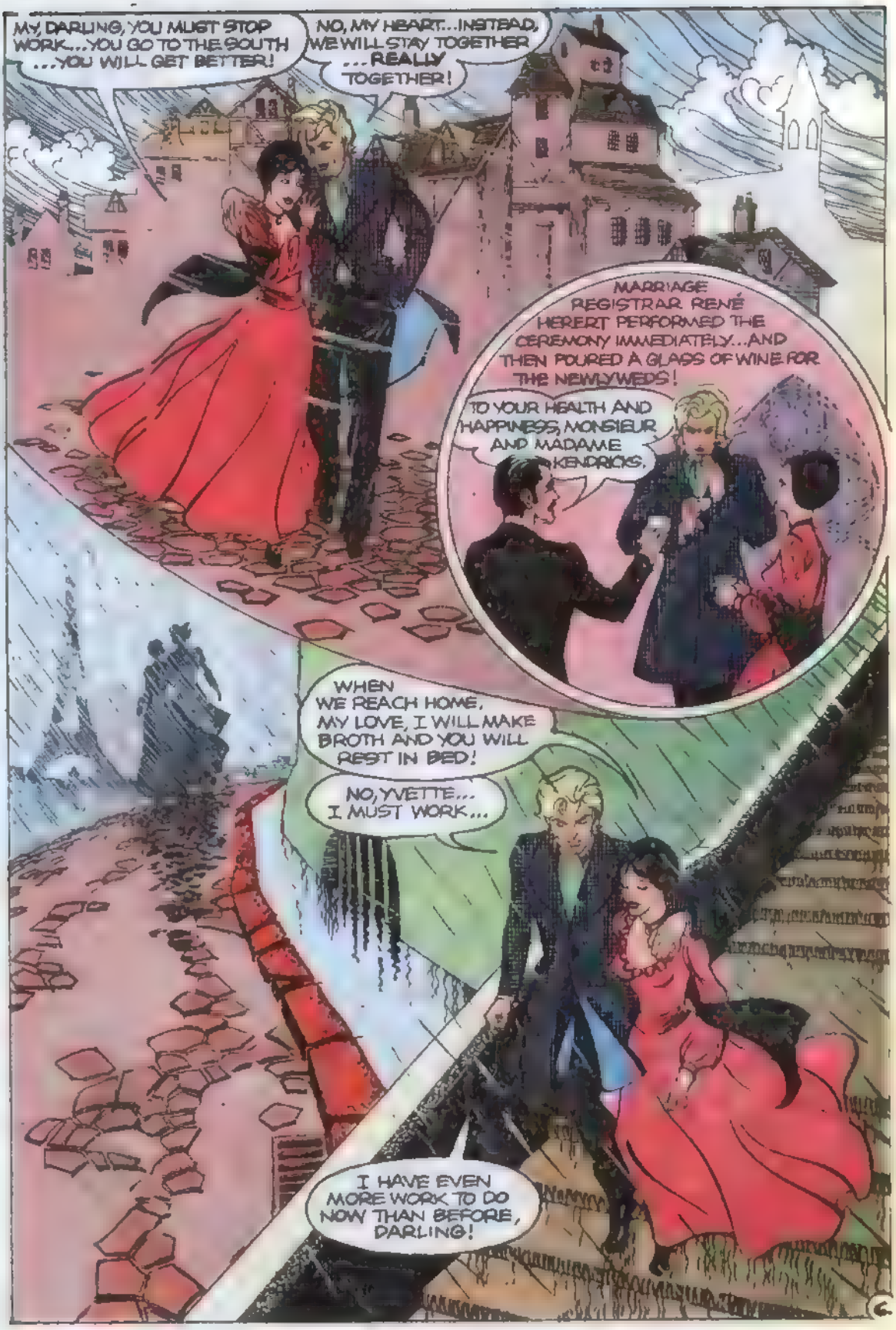

IT IS STRANGE THAT YOU SEE BEAUTY IN ME, MARTIN! NO OTHER MAN HAS EVER THOUGHT ME BEAUTIFUL!
THEN, PARIS IS FILLED WITH BLIND FOOLS, YVETTE! GO...LOOK AT YOURSELF IN THE MIRROR!
IT IS STRANGE, MON AMI...I FEEL BEAUTIFUL NOW! HOW CAN THAT BE?
I BELIEVE I CAN EXPLAIN IT, YVETTE...
..YOU HAVE BEEN TRANSFORMED BY MY LOVE, YVETTE, DARLING...
OH, MARTIN ..I TOO FEEL THIS WAY BUT
...YOU MUST NOT KISS ME! I AM ILL...I FEAR YOU TOO, WILL BE SICKENED BY MY GERMS!
MY LOVE WILL CURE YOUR SICKNESS, YVETTE...

THEY WERE MADLY IN LOVE...MARTIN WANTED TO CELEBRATE WITH CANDLELIGHT DINNERS BUT YVETTE WOULD NOT LET HIM NEGLECT HIS WORK...
PERHAPS YOU ARE RIGHT, YVETTE! IT IS IMPORTANT TO ME TO FINISH THIS...IT WILL BE THE FINEST WORK I HAVE EVER DONE!
I PRAY EACH NIGHT THERE WILL BE TIME, MY LOVE!
YOU SEE, MON AMI ...YOU HAVE CAUGHT MY COLD!
WE MUST BOTH GO TO A DOCTOR, YVETTE...YOUR COLD HAS LINGERED TOO LONG!
MARTIN KENDRICKS INSISTED...HE TOOK YVETTE TO A DOCTOR IN THE NEIGHBORHOOD...
I SAID COUGH ONCE, MADEMOISELLE!
MADEMOISELLE, YOU ARE SERIOUSLY ILL. MONSIEUR, YOU HAVE CONTRACTED A LESS SERIOUS CASE OF THIS ILLNESS. YOU SHOULD BOTH MOVE TO A WARM, DRY CLIMATE AND REST FOR A YEAR!
I...I HAVE MADE YOU ILL, MARTIN.
NO-NO, DEAREST! MERCI, DOCTOR... WE WILL TAKE THE ADVICE YOU PRESCRIBE.


MY DARLING, YOU MUST STOP WORK...YOU GO TO THE SOUTH ...YOU WILL GET BETTER!
NO, MY HEART...INSTEAD, WE WILL STAY TOGETHER ...REALLY TOGETHER!
MARRIAGE REGISTRAR RENÉ HERERT PERFORMED THE CEREMONY IMMEDIATELY...AND THEN POURED A GLASS OF WINE FOR THE NEWLYWEDS!
TO YOUR HEALTH AND HAPPINESS, MONSIEUR AND MADAME KENDRICKS.
WHEN WE REACH HOME, MY LOVE, I WILL MAKE BROTH AND YOU WILL REST IN BED!
NO, YVETTE... I MUST WORK...
I HAVE EVEN MORE WORK TO DO NOW THAN BEFORE, DARLING!

YVETTE DID NOT GET BETTER.. MARTIN WAS CONSTANTLY WITH HER...SHE RESTED ON A BED IN HIS STUDIO WHILE HE WORKED BUT SHE COULD NOT SEE THE MARBLE HE WAS CARVING.
BUT WHY CANNOT I LIE WHERE I CAN WATCH WHAT YOU ARE DOING, MY HEART?
BECAUSE THIS CORNER OF THE ROOM IS WARMEST, YVETTE ...AND THE DUST OF THE MARBLE WOULD MAKE YOUR COUGH WORSE!
NO, DEAR... MY ILLNESS IS CONTAGEIOUS AND...
IT NO LONGER MATTERS, SWEETHEART!
MARTIN...I AM AFRAID...I WILL NOT LIVE LONG...I WANT YOU TO LIVE A HAPPY LIFE AFTER I AM GONE!
THIS IS MY WEDDING GIFT TO US, YVETTE... IT IS THE FINEST PRESENT ANY BRIDE AND GROOM EVER RECEIVED!
I PROMISE YOU, BELOVED, WE SHALL ALWAYS BE HAPPY TOGETHER!
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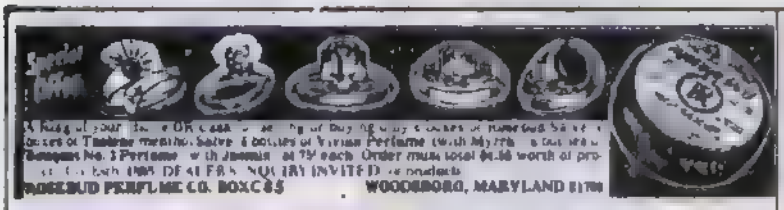

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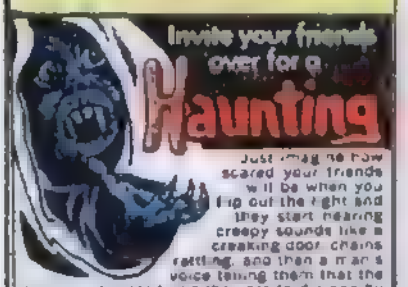

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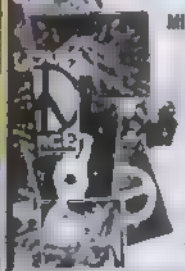

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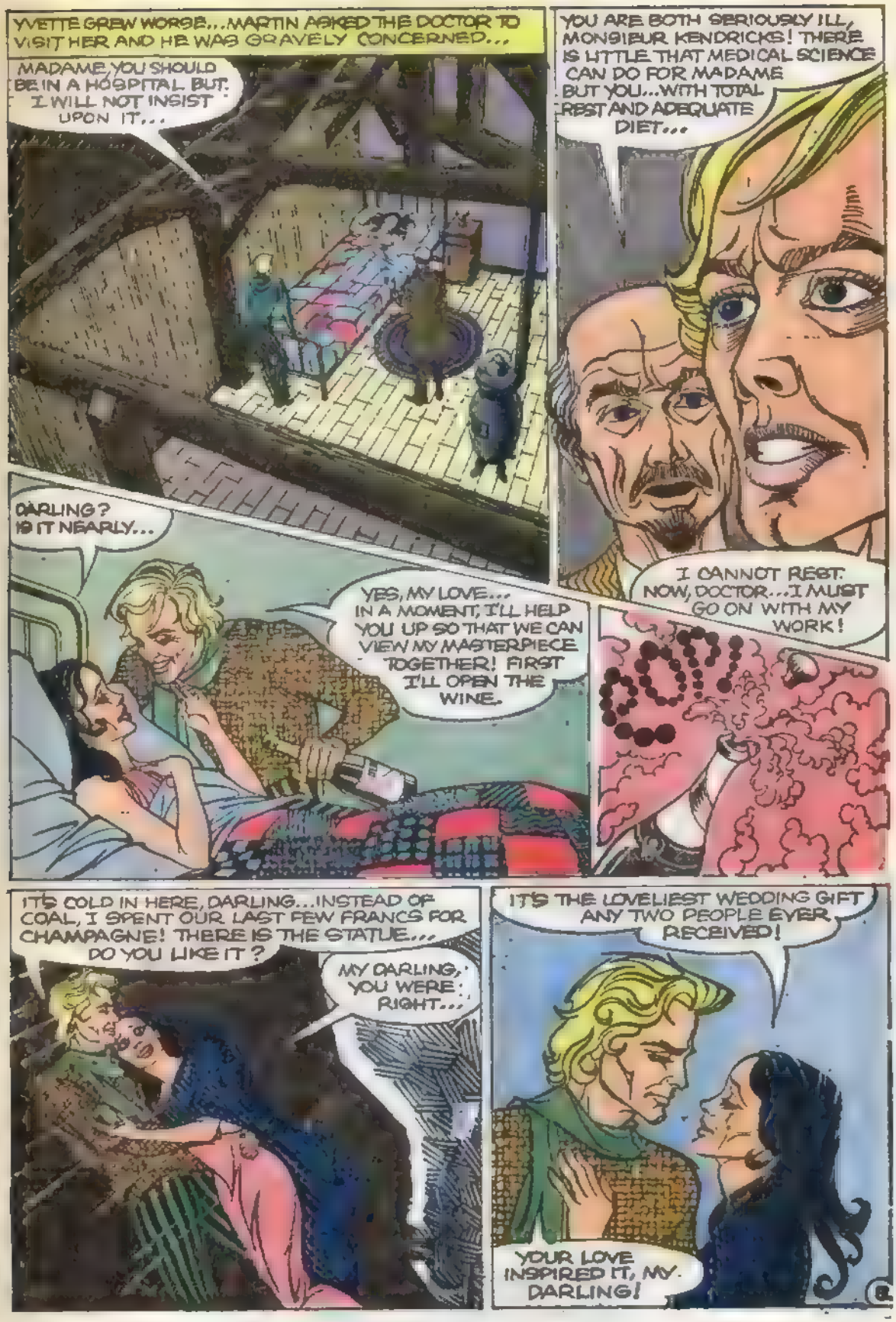
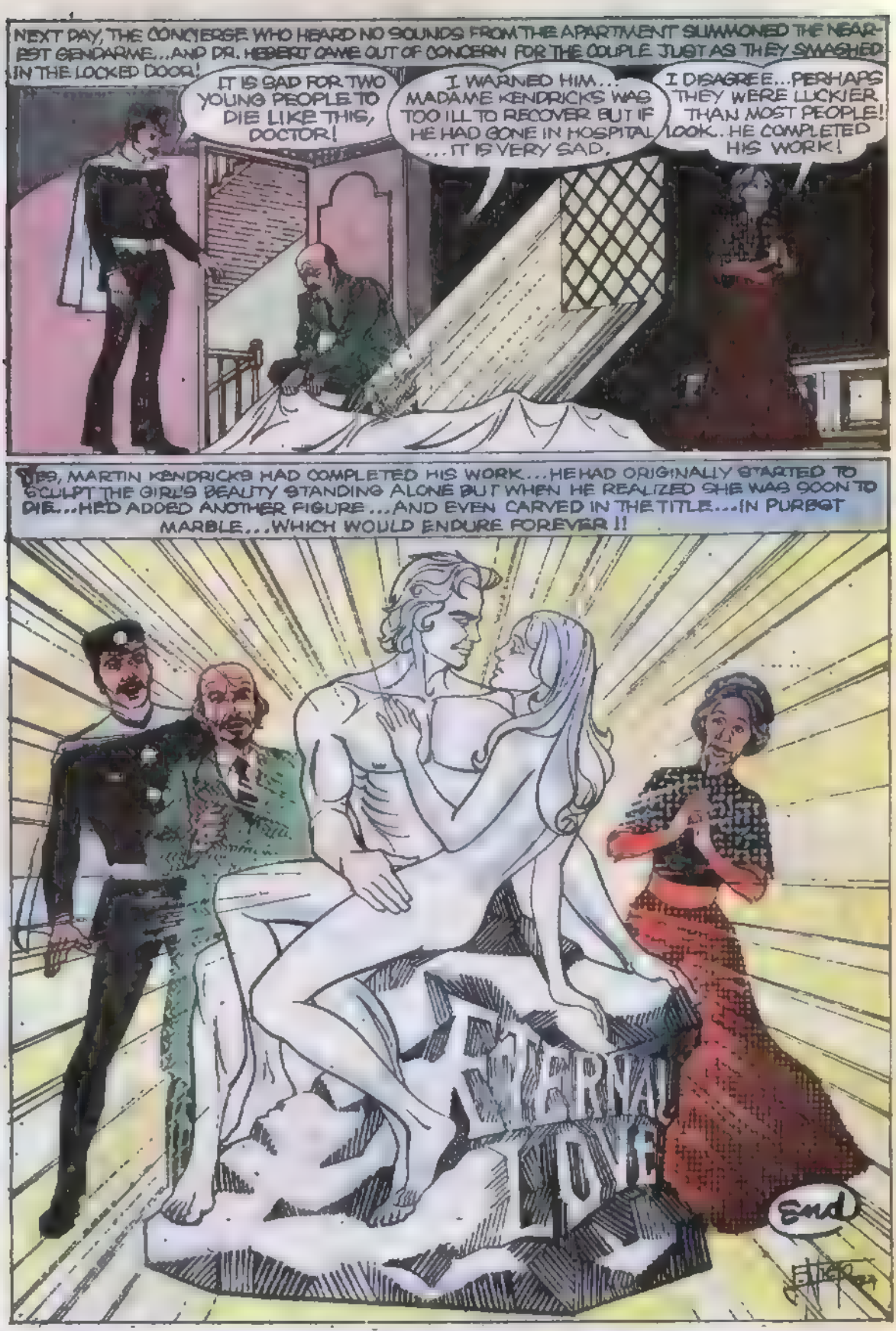

YVETTE GREW WORSE...MARTIN ASKED THE DOCTOR TO VISIT HER AND HE WAS GRAVELY CONCERNED...
MADAME, YOU SHOULD BE IN A HOSPITAL BUT. I WILL NOT INSIST UPON IT...
YOU ARE BOTH SERIOUSLY ILL, MONSIEUR KENDRICKS! THERE IS LITTLE THAT MEDICAL SCIENCE CAN DO FOR MADAME BUT YOU...WITH TOTAL REST AND ADEQUATE DIET...
I CANNOT REST! NOW, DOCTOR...I MUST GO ON WITH MY WORK!
DARLING? IS IT NEARLY...
YES, MY LOVE... IN A MOMENT, I'LL HELP YOU UP SO THAT WE CAN VIEW MY MASTERPIECE TOGETHER! FIRST I'LL OPEN THE WINE.
POP!
IT'S COLD IN HERE, DARLING...INSTEAD OF COAL, I SPENT OUR LAST FEW FRANCS FOR CHAMPAGNE! THERE IS THE STATUE... DO YOU LIKE IT?
MY DARLING, YOU WERE RIGHT...
IT'S THE LOVELIEST WEDDING GIFT ANY TWO PEOPLE EVER RECEIVED!
YOUR LOVE INSPIRED IT, MY DARLING!


NEXT DAY, THE CONCIERGE WHO HEARD NO SOUNDS FROM THE APARTMENT SUMMONED THE NEAREST GENDARME...AND DR. HEBERT CAME OUT OF CONCERN FOR THE COUPLE JUST AS THEY SMASHED IN THE LOCKED DOOR!
IT IS SAD FOR TWO YOUNG PEOPLE TO DIE LIKE THIS, DOCTOR!
I WARNED HIM... MADAME KENDRICKS WAS TOO ILL TO RECOVER BUT IF HE HAD GONE IN HOSPITAL ...IT IS VERY SAD.
I DISAGREE...PERHAPS THEY WERE LUCKIER THAN MOST PEOPLE! LOOK..HE COMPLETED HIS WORK!
YES, MARTIN KENDRICKS HAD COMPLETED HIS WORK...HE HAD ORIGINALLY STARTED TO SCULPT THE GIRL'S BEAUTY STANDING ALONE BUT WHEN HE REALIZED SHE WAS SOON TO DIE...HED ADDED ANOTHER FIGURE...AND EVEN CARVED IN THE TITLE...IN PURBOT MARBLE...WHICH WOULD ENDURE FOREVER !!
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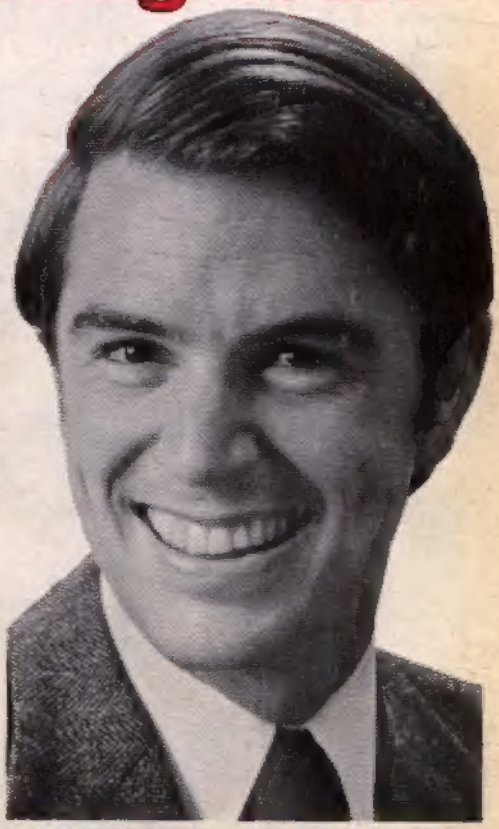

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